

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 1916.

The Board of Public Works of Maryland met at the office of the Governor in the Union Trust Building, Baltimore, on Thursday November 16, 1916.

Present: Governor Emerson C. Harrington; Comptroller Hugh A. McMullan; Treasurer John M. Dennis.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The matter of the complaint of Senator William J. Frere, State Tobacco Inspector, against the Baltimore, Chesapeake & Atlantic Railway Company concerning the use of Pier 8, Light Street, Baltimore, for the receipt and shipment of tobacco and the Inspectors statement that the Railway Company has failed to accord to the State the rights and privileges due it under the lease to the railway company, *was considered*.

The railway company's president, Mr. Willard Thompson, the company's wharf agent, Mr. Brown and the company's attorney Mr. Robinson were present as was also Attorney General Ritchie and S Senator Frere representing the State.

The representatives of the railway company assured the State that there would be no further ground for complaint concerning the use of the wharf and the State notified the company that it would give formal notice to quit at the expiration of the present term of tenure, on April 30, 1917. Attorney General Ritchie reported the result of his investigation as to rental value of Pier 8. He thought that the present charge was inadequate, the values of frontage in that locality being from \$700. to \$800. per front foot. The Board decided, on motion which was duly carried, to direct the Attorney General to give the railway company formal notice to quit at the end of tenancy expiring April 30th, 1917.

Attorney General Ritchie brought to the attention of the Board the matter of eight oysted condemnation cases pending in St. Mary's County and advised the employment of special local counsel to assist the State's Attorney of St. Mary's County in protecting the State's interests. The Board concurred in the view of the Attorney General that he shall retain assisting local counsel to assist the State's Attorney of St. Mary's County in defending the State's interests in said cases.

Treasurer John M. Dennis brought before the Board the question of insurance on all state property and the method of placing

said insurance. The matter was talked over but no action was taken,

The Board next took up for consideration the matter of the sale of \$900.000.00 State of Maryland Bonds. On motion of Mr.

John M. Dennis, which was seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Be It Ordered, That in accordance with the Act of 1916, Chap. 681, the Governor, Comptroller of the Treasury and Treasurer of the State be and they are hereby authorized and directed to advertise twice a week for four successive weeks, in the Baltimore Sun, the Baltimore American and the Baltimore News, the first insertion to bear date the 18th day of November, 1916, and the last insertion to bear date the 15th day of December, 1916, that the Governor, Comptroller and the Treasurer will receive, in the office of the Treasurer, at Annapolis, Maryland, at any time up to twelve o'clock, noon, of Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1916, bids for nine hundred thousand dollar bonds to be issued under the provisions of said Act; said bids to be contained in sealed envelopes, appropriately endorsed, and each bid to be accompanied by a certified check upon some responsible banking institution, drawn to the order of the Treasurer of Maryland, for five per centum of the amount of such bid.

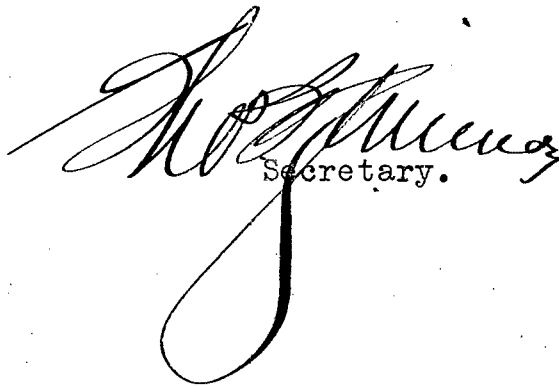
All bids will be opened at twelve o'clock, noon, on Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1916.

Said bonds shall be dated the first day of February, 1917, and they shall bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of August and February, respectively, during the continuance of said loan.

Said bonds shall be of the denomination of \$1.000.00 each all shall be subject to registration as to principal, and all shall be issued with interest coupons attached, and shall be deliverable on the first day of February, 1917. The said bonds shall be issued upon the Serial Annuity Plan, as provided in said Act.

The right shall be reserved to accept one bid for all of said bonds, or separate bids for parts of said loan, as may produce the largest amount; and the right shall also be reserved to accept bids for parts of said loan, but not for all, and to reject all bids or any bids.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary.